

## A Sampling of Plants Identified

**TREES** – American Arborvitae, White Ash, Quaking Aspen, Northern Catalpa, Black Cherry, Chokecherry, Cottonwood, Crabapple, Dogwood (3 types), Eastern Redbud, Slippery Elm, American Holly, Hophornbeam, Linden, Maple (5 types), Mulberry, Oak (4 types), Pussy Willow, Sweetgum, Sycamore, Tulip Tree, Black Willow, Serviceberry, Katsura . . . and more.

**SHRUBS** – Blueberry, Buttonbush, Coralberry, Elderberry, Redosier Dogwood, Hazelnut, Witch Hazel.

**VINES** – Black Raspberry, Blackberry, Poison Ivy, Grape, Virginia Creeper, Asian Bittersweet.

**FERNS** – Christmas, Cinnamon, Interrupted, Lady, Maidenhair, Ostrich, Royal, Sensitive.

**SAPROPHYTES** – Indian Pipe (three areas)

**WILDFLOWERS AND GRASSES** – New England Aster, Black-eyed Susan, Bloodroot, Blue Lobelia, Brown-eyed Susan, Boneset, Catnip, Cardinal Flower, Columbine, Lance-leaf Coreopsis, Culver’s Root, Dogbane, Dotted Horsemint, Daisy Fleabane, Golden Tickseed, Joe Pye, Canada Goldenrod, Stiff Goldenrod, Bluestem Goldenrod, Hairy Mountain Mint, Jack-in-the-Pulpit, Little Blue Stem Grass, Mayapple, Butterfly Milkweed (Monarch’s Delight), Common Milkweed, Swamp Milkweed, Nodding Wild Onion, Partridge Pea, Penstemon, Trillium, Virginia Mountain Mint, Wild Bergamot, Wild Geranium, Yarrow . . . and more.

**Not all plants are native.** Non-native plants were brought to this country from other parts of the world and even other parts of our country. Some have become very invasive.

## About the Nature Park

The **CITWC Nature Park** is set behind the church building around and south of the parking lot. It encompasses about 8 acres and is part of the Oak Openings region. The Nature Park is a **Sacred Grounds** certified site through the National Wildlife Federation.

The nature park is a work in progress. We are working to remove invasive species of plants, especially non-native ones, and re-introduce native plants. The grounds were previously a commercial nursery, with many of the native plants removed.

There are seven short trails that you can walk and enjoy. Three entrances to the trails are available from the parking lot. The trails are primitive. Walkers may encounter tripping hazards such as ruts, roots, holes, stumps, vines, mud, etc. ***Please wear proper footwear, and please be careful.***

We have a **Rain Garden** at the front of the property near Bancroft Street and several **pollinator gardens** along the parking lot with native wildflowers. Many plants are identified.

During late July and August, the **Indian Pipe** emerge. We have one of the larger colonies of Indian Pipe in Lucas County.

The park is open from sunrise to sunset, Monday through Saturday. On Sunday, the hours are from 1pm to sunset.

## CITWC Nature Park and Grounds

A natural resource ministry  
of  
the church in Toledo-Westside Community  
6109 West Bancroft St.  
Toledo, Ohio 43615



[wcc-toledo.com](http://wcc-toledo.com)

Also visit us on Facebook



**Highlights:**

RG - Rain Garden

FG - Fern Garden

PG - Pollinator Gardens

IP - Indian Pipe Colonies (July/August)

**Trails:**

Prairie Circle	about 430 feet
Mayapple Trail	about 430 feet
Scripture Trail	about 120 feet
Pussy Willow Spur	about 150 feet
East Trail	about .28 mile
West Trail	about .23 mile
Main Access Trail	about .20 mile